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City of Riverside Recognized for Excellence in Information Technology

Center for Digital Government lists Riverside near top of its 2014 Digital Cities Survey

RIVERSIDE, Calif. – The City of Riverside has been recognized for excellence in using information technology to further citizen engagement and increase financial transparency.

Riverside tied for 5th among cities of 250,000 people or more in the 2014 Digital Cities Survey organized by e.Republic's Center for Digital Government. The recognition marks the ninth consecutive year that Riverside has placed in the Top 10 nationally in the competition.

Riverside finished just behind Philadelphia and ahead of Long Beach, Phoenix, Denver, Oakland and Sacramento.

"This recognition really demonstrates the high level at which our team is operating in Riverside," said Chief Innovation Officer Lea Deesing. "To be ranked where we are, ahead of much larger cities, really says a lot about the effort and commitment of our department."

The awards are part of the Center's Digital Communities Program and focus on collaboration among cities, counties and regions. This year's awards focused on initiatives that cities were most proud of in regards to citizen engagement, policy, operations, and technology and data.

"This year's Digital Cities' winners brought about impressive change across all aspects of government by leveraging information technology investments to expand open government, citizen participation and shared services," said Todd Sander, Executive Director of the Center for Digital Government.

More information can be found at: <http://www.digitalcommunities.com/survey/cities/?year=2014>